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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) The method of using sorbic acid as growth-stabilizing addition to <u>agricultural livestock</u> feedstuffs, which method comprises adding sorbic acid to <u>agricultural livestock</u> feedstuffs, said sorbic acid present in said <u>agricultural livestock</u> feedstuff in a concentration of from 0.5 to 1.0 % by weight, based on the weight of the feedstuff.
 - 2. (Canceled)
 - 3. (Canceled)
 - 4. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1 in pig rearing.
 - 5. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1 in cattle rearing.
 - 6. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1 in lamb rearing.
 - 7. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1 in poultry rearing.
 - 8. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1 in rabbit rearing.
 - 9. (Canceled)

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- 10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (New) A method according to Claim 1, said sorbic acid providing a growth rate of agricultural livestock up to 128%.
- 13. (New) A method according to Claim 1, wherein said agricultural livestock feedstuff is selected from the group consisting of green fodder, silages, dried green fodder, roots, tubers, fleshy fruits, grains, seeds, brewer's grains, pomace, brewer's yeast, distillation residues, milling byproducts, byproducts of the production of sugar and starch production.